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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN MILITARY ZONE

REF: A. TOKYO 13788 B. STATE 213778

- 1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S PROMPT RESPONSE TO REFTEL B. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION ON A FEW POINTS MADE REFTEL A.
- 2. IS REFTEL A, PARA. 1 CONFIDENTIAL OR MAY COORDINATES FOR NORTH KOREAN ECONOMIC ZONE BE USED ON UNCLASSIFIED MAP? DEPARTMENT MAY MAKE MAP (REFTEL B) AVAILABLE TO FOREIGN DELEGATIONS, POSSIBLY IN CONNECTION WITH LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.
- 3. DEPARTMENT ASSUMES AREA ENCOMPASSED BY LINES CONNECTING CONFIDENTIAL

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- 4 POINTS DESCRIBED PARA 1. COMPRISES ENTIRE NORTH KOREA CLAIMED ECONOMIC ZONE IN SEA OF JAPAN.
- 4. DID NORTH KOREA PROVIDE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WITH SPECIFIC COORDINATES FOR ECONOMIC ZONE IN YELLOW SEA?
- 5. REFTEL A, PARA 2 IS INFORMATION PROVIDED BY FONOFF

NE ASIAN DEPDIR KAWASHIMA SPECULATION BY JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OR IS INFORMATION ON STRAIGHT BASELINES BASED ON

FACTS PROVIDED TO JAPANESE BY NORTH KOREA OR OTHER SOURCES?

6. REFTEL A, PARA 2 - STRAIGHT BASELINES DESCRIBED AS "CONNECTING FOLLOWING 3 POINTS ON NORTH KOREAN COAST: DMZ, MUSU DAN AND SINO-NORTH KOREA BORDER." DEPARTMENT BELIEVES KAWASHIMA REALLY MEANT U.S.S.R.-NORTH KOREAN BORDER AND NOT SINO-NORTH KOREA. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO COMMENT ON THIS DISCREPANCY. ARE THE STRAIGHT LINES DESCRIBED IN PARA 2 CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL OR MAY THEY BE DEPICTED ON UNCLASSIFIED MAP? EMBASSY REQUESTED TO SEND REPLY SOONEST TO INR/RGE. VANCE

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